

¹**Minutes**
Ida Township Board Meeting
March 3, 2008
Ida Township Hall
4700 County Rd 6 NW, Garfield, MN 56332

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Mike Rosenwald. Supervisors Orin Blegen, Jim Conn, Clerk Barbara Kilgore and Treasurer Palmer Krueger were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Rosenwald announced that the tapes being used to tape the meeting belong to the clerk and are only used to assist her in taking the minutes of the meeting.

Minutes-Board of Audit Conn made a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Audit Meeting, January 30/February 4, 2008. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye

Minutes-February 19, 2008 Blegen made a motion to approve the February 19, 2008 Town Board Meeting minutes as written. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blegen-aye, Conn-aye, Rosenwald abstained

Roads

Lake Ida Way- Watch for Children signs Patricia Oehlenschlager requested that Watch for Children signs be put up on Lake Ida Way by Jackrabbit Trail and Cottontail Lane. She informed the board that there are approximately 20 children less than 12 year's old living along Jackrabbit Trail, Cottontail Lane and Lake Ida Way. Conn made a motion to acquire the signs and have them put up in the spring. Blegen seconded the motion. Conn amended the motion to put the signs up when the paving is done. Blegen seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

7-T Road Project

- **7-T performance Bonds.** Stabnow reported that Anderson Construction has paid their invoices to Okerlund Gravel and Strom Construction, but Canyon Contracting has not. Stabnow stated that we need to get a detailed plan from Canyon Contracting on their plans for finishing up the work on Bedman Drive this spring. Kilgore will write a letter to the performance/payment bond company and advise them of the status of the unpaid invoice and the incomplete work.
- **Spring Work.** Stabnow reported that curb and gutter needs to be put in along Lake Ida Way, Bedman Drive needs to be completed and Christopherson Road may need some work before the paving can be done
- **Peterson Family Relocation Reimbursement.** Carried over from February 19, 2008 meeting because of a difference in amounts between the Treasurer's records and the statement that Rosenwald had put together regarding the amount to be refunded to the Peterson Family for the cost savings for the Lake Ida Way

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Relocation. It turned out there were some township expenses from December that were not included in Rosenwald's statement. Rosenwald made a motion to authorize payment of \$4,592.94. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Parking on Roadway-hazards Blegen reported that he received a complaint from people living on Christopherson Road regarding someone parking vehicles on the roadway and with the wind they had caused drifting on the road making it difficult for people to get through. Blegen spoke with the person whose cars were in the road, but the person didn't want to move the cars. Blegen checked with Douglas County and the Sheriff's Department and found out that there are no restrictions on parking along the road as long the roadway isn't obstructed. The sheriff's department went out and had the cars moved. Blegen had AJ plow the snow drifts.

Gravel on the roads Conn asked Stabnow if there is anything that can be done about the gravel that was pushed off of the roads as a result of the early snowfall when the roads were not frozen. Stabnow stated that we will have to review the roads in the spring and see if anything can be done or if it will just have to be replaced.

Old Business

- **PFA/WIF Fund.** Issue carried over from the February 19, 2008 meeting. Kilgore had received the information from ALASD stating the amount of flowage for 2007 and the amount that needs to be put into the fund is \$2,470. Krueger pointed out that the township would receive more interest if the money is put into a money market account, but that it takes \$2,500 to open a money market account. Rosenwald made a motion to open the PFA/WIF Fund at First State Bank for \$2500 so we can qualify for the higher interest rate. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye. Rosenwald stated the money should come from the Revenue Fund.
- **Lake Charlie Cemetery.** Rosenwald reported that the cemetery had been surveyed, but it was a long time ago. The issue was tabled until the annual meeting and our mid April meeting.
- **Douglas County Emergency Management.** Carried over from February 19, 2008 meeting. Conn reported that FEMA has money to spend on emergency response and management on the state, county and township levels. There are four steps that are under way that we need to be aware of:
 1. A participation resolution by the township, which we have already done.
 2. The County will hold a public hearing.
 3. Need to come up with a list of the different hazards that can occur and how this plan will address those hazards. There is no out of pocket expense for this plan. FEMA will pay for it. The township can have input into this phase of the plan. A couple areas could be having an Emergency Operating Center or County warning systems. Kilgore will make a listing for future meetings regarding the items the township can have input on.
 4. If we choose to have input, we need to have an adoption hearing, where we would adopt the plan for Ida Township.

- **Exterminator.** Kilgore reported that the Exterminator had not found anymore mice, but would be back to check again. In the spring, the exterminator will examine the outside of the building to see if he can find where they are entering.

New Business

- **Lakes Area Recreation Funding 2008/2009.** The board reviewed the documents for the township's share of funding for the Lakes Area Recreation.
- **Lakes Area Recreation meeting.** Blegen reported that he went to the meeting held on February 7, 2008 regarding the master plan for the development west of County Road 22 in Alexandria. There are 160 acres in the development. The plan includes a proposed National Guard building that will be constructed at no cost to Douglas County tax payers. The plan also includes a new YMCA. They are collecting contributions for the YMCA. There may be offices and other businesses included in the development.
- **Annual Meeting.** Kilgore will check with Dan Diedrich to see if he will be at the meeting and available to moderate if he is needed. Kilgore will have 75 copies of the agenda, minutes and other handouts printed for the annual meeting.
- **Upcoming events.** Kilgore informed the board of the upcoming meetings in March and April.
- **Sign Reflectivity meeting.** Blegen reported that he attended a meeting on February 12, 2008 on sign reflectivity. The board agreed that the signs in Ida Township will be checked this spring.

Mail and Permits The mail and permits were passed around for the board to examine

Public Comment

Mary Ann Bartlett asked if a tornado siren around the Lake Ida area is something we could get from the FEMA funds. Rosenwald said we can check into it. Ms. Bartlett also asked if the Douglas County weed meeting is a public meeting as she would like to attend. Conn said that it is a public meeting.

Frank Bartlett asked if Canyon Contracting's performance bond will take care of the costs if Canyon will not be able to finish their work. Rosenwald said it should.

Patricia Oehlenschlager asked if at the weed meeting if they give recommendations on what to do with weeds. Rosenwald said they just instruct people to keep them cut.

Wes Smith asked if FEMA would pay for the hydrant on Lake Ida that the Garfield Fire Department has requested. Conn we can check into it as the plan progresses.

Adjourn

Blegen made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM. Conn seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rosenwald-aye, Conn-aye, Blegen-aye.

Barbara D. Kilgore
Ida Township Clerk

Mike Rosenwald
Ida Township Chairman